# Regional Animal Control District

Serving the Towns of Lebanon, Franklin, Bozrah, Lisbon & Sprague

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**MINUTES** 

Regional Animal Control District Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Thursday,
February 25, 2016
10:30AM
Lisbon Town Hall

1) Call to order.

Meeting called to order at 10:30 am by Richard Matters, Chairman. In attendance, Tom Sparkman, Lisbon; Denise Dembinski, Sprague Alternate; Betsy Petrie, Lebanon; Glen Pianka, Bozrah. Mike Murphy, ACO, and visitor

2) Recognition of Visitor

Visitor in audience arrived at approximately 10:40 am.

3) Additions to agenda.

Informal discussion regarding Salem participating in regional district. Chairman Matters will follow up with Salem informally to review.

4) Approval of minute of January 28, 2016.

Motion made by Richard Matters to approve minutes of January 28, 2016, seconded by Tom Sparkman. Motion approved.

- 5) Correspondence. None.
- 6) Discuss and act on FY 15-16 Treasurers' Report.

Treasurer not present. No action

7) Discuss activity level for months of January 2016

Activity levels were reviewed.

Day time calls - 4

Night time calls - 4

Weekend calls-6

Answering service calls indicate 42 calls though discussion indicated largely miss-dials or wrong numbers.

### 8) Discussion of Pound upgrades.

Reviewed authorized upgrades to the Lebanon pound. Concrete and fencing improvements.

Conversations with State indicated that RACD should not use area in which improvements had occurred until modifications can be corrected.

Richard Matters explained that the RACD pays rent to the Town of Lebanon for use of pound. Ordinary maintenance is Town of Lebanon responsibility.

RACD informed that Lebanon DPW new building may impact operations. Will know more after Lebanon Board of Selectman meeting on March 8. Will advise RACD at that time

Also distributed was a copy of the Willimantic Chronicle article from February 11, 2016

## 9) ACO Reports.

The monthly ACO report was e-mailed to members and the ACO Murphy reported on his activities.

### 10) Report on complaint of January 28, 2016.

ACO Murphy provide information regarding citizen complaint from Town of Hanover. Attached to minutes include ACO written report and Statutes cited. Stephanie Schaffer from Hanover engaged in discussion with RACD during the ACO report to rebut statements from ACO. Ms. Schaffer left meeting prior to adjournment and prior to "public comment" item on agenda.

#### 11) Public Comment.

None

#### 12) Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 10:55 by Tom Sparkman, seconded by Denise Dembinski. Motion passes unanimously.

Betsy Petrie Secretary